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**DATE:** February 13, 2009

**TO:** All Local Health Departments  
Attn: Chief Food Specialist

**FROM:** <sup>ASB</sup> A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS  
Manager, Food Protection Program

**SUBJECT:** GKI Foods Inc. Expands Peanut Recall

**SUGGESTED ACTION:** Peanut Recall; Due to *Salmonella typhimurium*; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled product was distributed in the State of Indiana. The recalled products have been distributed in bulk and retail packages nationwide through retailers, wholesalers and firms who repack or sell our products under their own brand names. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled product is found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

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### GKI Foods Inc. Expands Nationwide Recall of Peanut-Containing Candies Because of Possible Health Risk

**Contact:**  
Jim Frazier  
248-486-0055

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -- February 13, 2009 --** GKI Foods Inc. of Brighton, MI is expanding its February 2, 2009 recall to include additional candy products containing peanuts, because they have the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella*, an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with *Salmonella* often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with *Salmonella* can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis.

Our products have been distributed in bulk and retail packages nationwide through retailers, wholesalers and firms who repack or sell our products under their own brand names.

The following products are being added to our recall:

**Silver Lake Chocolate Double Dipped Peanuts, net wt 15 oz, GKI Foods, Brighton, MI; UPC 1264731900**

**Silver Lake Chocolates Milk Chocolate Peanut Clusters, net wt 12 oz, GKI Foods, Brighton, MI; UPC 1264732413**

**Silver Lake Chocolate Bridge Mix, net wt 13 oz, GKI Foods, Brighton, MI; UPC 1264730514**

GKI is recalling all of our peanut based products due to the expanded recall by Peanut Corp of America that included peanut types purchased by GKI Foods Inc.

GKI Foods Inc. has had no reports of any illnesses with any of our products to date.

To assist our customers in distinguishing recalled product from replacement product, GKI Foods Inc. is adding a round blue label sticker label to the labels on replacement product. Recalled product labels are red and purple print on a light purple background. Replacement product will now have a 1.25" round blue label on the front of the package.

Customers who have purchased peanut related products from GKI may destroy the product or contact GKI for further direction at 248-486-0055 M-F between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. EST.

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